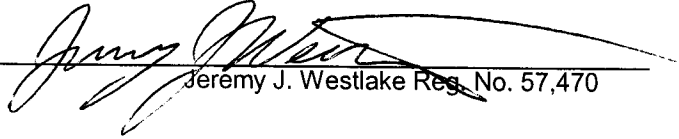


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**REQUEST THAT ERROR IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS BE EXCUSED
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(C)**

Dear Sir:

When paying the issue fee for the above-listed patent, the issue fee was paid as a small entity in good faith. Following payment of the issue fee as a small entity, it was later discovered that the issue fee should have been paid as a non-small entity because of a loss of status as a small entity. This error was inadvertent and was not intentionally committed to pay fees as a small entity. Accordingly, in light of the following itemization and the accompanying payment of the deficiency due, it is respectfully requested this error in small entity status be excused.

Itemization of the deficiency payment

(A) Particular Type of Fee Erroneously Paid as a Small Entity

Type of Fee Erroneously Paid as a Small Entity	Current Fee for Non-Small Entity
Issue Fee	\$1,400

(B) Small Entity Fee Paid and When Paid

Type of Fee ...	Small Entity Fee Paid	Date of Payment of Small Entity Fee
Issue Fee	\$ 665	May 17, 2004

(C) Deficiency Owed Amount for Each Fee Erroneously Paid

Type of Fee ...	Deficiency Owed Amount for each Fee Erroneously Paid
Issue Fee	\$ 735

(D) Total Deficiency Owed Amount

Total Deficiency Owed
\$ 735

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required Total Deficiency Owed in the amount of \$735 to deposit account no. 17-0055.

No additional fees for this request are believed to be due. However, if such fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to deposit account no. 17-0055.

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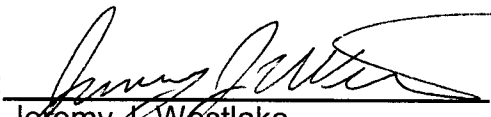
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Please call if you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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